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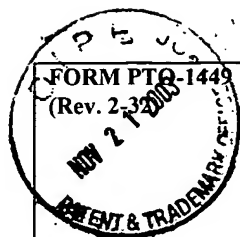
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US 5,785,368, US 6,212,456 B1, US 6,329,910 B1, US 6,467,563 B1, US 6,474,679 B2, US 6,516,278 B1, US 2002/0093180, US 2002/0014761 A1, US 2003/0042714 A1 and US 2003/0062208 A1 relate to pedestrian protecting devices for vehicles.

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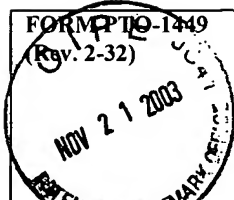
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